

Ossipee, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Carroll
Wolfeboro, NH LMA
Lakes
Lakes Region
Mount Washington Valley Economic Council

Election Districts

US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

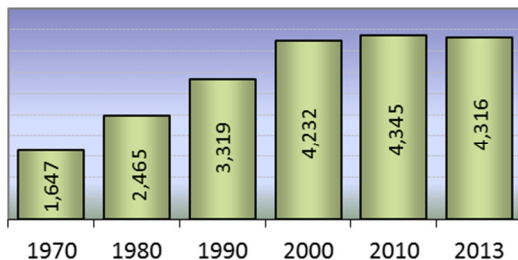
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Carroll County Districts 5, 8

Incorporated: 1785

Origin: Known as Wigwam Village, and then New Garden, this town bears the name of the Ossipee Indians. It was once the site of an Indian stockade fort, designed to protect the tribe from attacks by the Mohawks from the west. Early in 1725, the Indian stockade was destroyed, and then rebuilt by Captain John Lovewell of Dunstable. Later that year, Captain Lovewell led a small band of men to attack the Indians at Pequawket (now Fryeburg). Captain Lovewell did not survive the fight, but the battle was memorialized in "The Ballad of Lovewell's Fight," and was the subject of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's first published poem, written at the age of 13.

Villages and Place Names: Center Ossipee, Chickville, Dorrs Corner, Granite, Long Sands, Moultonville, Ossipee Lake Shores, Ossipee Valley, Pollys Crossing, Roland Park, Water Village, West Ossipee

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 339 residents in 1790



Population Trends:

Population change for Ossipee totaled 2,907 over 53 years, from 1,409 in 1960 to 4,316 in 2013. The largest decennial percent change was a 50 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 35 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2013 Census estimate for Ossipee was 4,316 residents, which ranked 87th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2013 (US Census Bureau): 60.9 persons per square mile of land area. Ossipee contains 70.9 square miles of land area and 4.4 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government		Selectmen	
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2014		\$6,625,906	
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Zoning Ordinance		1988/10	
Master Plan		2006	
Capital Improvement Plan		Yes	
Industrial Plans Reviewed By		Planning Board	
Boards and Commissions			
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library; Cemetery		
Appointed:	Conservation		
Public Library	Ossipee Public		
EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department		Full-time	
Fire Department		3 Full-time & volunteer	
Emergency Medical Service		Municipal & volunteer	
Nearest Hospital(s)		Distance	Staffed Beds
Huggins Hospital, Wolfeboro		15 miles	25
UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop; Wolfeboro		
Natural Gas Supplier	None		
Water Supplier	Ossipee Water Department, Carroll County Complex		
Sanitation	Private septic & municipal		
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No		
Solid Waste Disposal			
Curbside Trash Pickup	None		
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No		
Recycling Program	Mandatory		
Telephone Company	Time Warner; Fairpoint		
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes		
Cable Television Access	Yes		
Public Access Television Station	No		
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	Yes	
	Residential	Limited	
PROPERTY TAXES		(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)	
2013 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$17.39	
2013 Equalization Ratio		107.4	
2013 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)		\$18.53	
2013 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings		82.5%	
Commercial Land and Buildings		16.1%	
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other		1.4%	
HOUSING		(ACS 2009-2013)	
Total Housing Units		2,944	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached		2,193	
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure		152	
Five or More Units in Structure		66	
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units		533	

DEMOGRAPHICS (US Census Bureau)		
Total Population	Community	County
2013	4,316	47,634
2010	4,345	47,818
2000	4,232	43,918
1990	3,319	35,526
1980	2,465	27,929
1970	1,647	18,548
Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2009-2013		
Population by Gender		
Male	2,142	Female 2,174
Population by Age Group		
Under age 5		152
Age 5 to 19		950
Age 20 to 34		522
Age 35 to 54		1,250
Age 55 to 64		706
Age 65 and over		736
Median Age		44.5 years
Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over		
High school graduate or higher		86.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher		14.3%
INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2009-2013)		
Per capita income		\$20,891
Median family income		\$53,167
Median household income		\$46,023
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers		
Male		\$44,435
Female		\$31,777
Individuals below the poverty level		20.4%
LABOR FORCE (NHES – ELMI)		
Annual Average	2003	2013
Civilian labor force	2,124	1,952
Employed	2,022	1,818
Unemployed	102	134
Unemployment rate	4.8%	6.9%
EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (NHES – ELMI)		
Annual Average Covered Employment	2003	2013
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	251	156
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 729	\$1,027
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	1,103	943
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 492	\$ 486
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	1,353	1,099
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 536	\$ 563
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	466	540
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 511	\$ 687
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	1,819	1,639
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 529	\$ 604

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend:	Grades K-12 are part of Governor Wentworth Regional (Brookfield, Effingham, New Durham, Ossipee, Tuftonboro, Wolfeboro)			District: SAU 49
Career Technology Center(s):	Lakes Region Technology Center, Wolfeboro			Region: 9
Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			1
Grade Levels	P K 1-6			P K 1-8
Total Enrollment	297			70
Nearest Community College: Lakes Region				
Nearest Colleges or Universities: Granite State College-Conway				
2014 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)		Total Facilities: 3 Total Capacity: 74		

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Carroll County Government	Government services	100	
Job Lots	Low cost merchandise	50	2005
McDonalds	Fast food restaurant	45	1995
Valueland IGA	Supermarket	21	1968
Tufpak, Inc.	Plastic bags	15	1976
Northern Tire	Tires, alignments, auto services	9	1986
Hannaford Brothers	Supermarket		1982
Ossipee Aggregates Corporation	Sand, gravel		1960
Carroll County Courthouse	Court of Law		2004
Town of Ossipee	Municipal services		1785

TRANSPORTATION (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

Road Access	US Routes	
	State Routes	16, 25, 28, 171
Nearest Interstate, Exit		I-93, Exits 23 - 24
	Distance	38 miles
Railroad		Boston & Maine
Public Transportation		No
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		
Moultonborough Airport	Runway	3,475 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids?	No
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		
Portland (ME) International	Distance	51 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport		13
Driving distance to select cities:		
Manchester, NH		66 miles
Portland, Maine		51 miles
Boston, Mass.		109 miles
New York City, NY		322 miles
Montreal, Quebec		243 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK

(ACS 2009-2013)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	76.4%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	9.3%
Public transportation	0.0%
Walked	2.5%
Other means	2.1%
Worked at home	9.6%
Mean Travel Time to Work	34.6 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2009-2013

Working in community of residence	27.0
Commuting to another NH community	67.6
Commuting out-of-state	5.4

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
X	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
X	Youth Sports: Soccer
X	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps
	Nearest Ski Area(s): King Pine
	Other: Old Home Week